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## Exam Essay Questions Practice Worksheet

In order to study for the essay portion of the exam, it is useful to examine the major themes we have discussed throughout the year in History class. Use your notes and textbook to reflect on the questions below.

### **Instructions:**

- For each question, **work on your own** to write a **complete thesis statement** for a potential essay on the topic.
- Then, **in complete sentences**, fill in **three or more examples** that you would use to support your answer.
- When you are finished, share your responses with a partner and give feedback on how to improve each other's essays.

### **Practice Essay Questions:**

- How did the framers of the Constitution try to avoid creating a government that could recreate the "tyranny" of the British government?

**Thesis Statement:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Example #1:**

**Example #2:**

**Example #3:**

- How did the Continental army beat the stronger and better-supplied British army?

**Thesis Statement:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Example #1:**

**Example #2:**

**Example #3:**

3. How did differences in the Northern and Southern economies lead to sectionalism?

**Thesis Statement:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Example #1:**

**Example #2:**

**Example #3:**

4. How did the struggle between the Federalists and Republicans affect the new nation?

**Thesis Statement:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Example #1:**

**Example #2:**

**Example #3:**